MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b). The number of Seminars/Conferences/Workshops organised by the Ministry during 1989, 1990 and 1991 and the expenditure incurred thereon are as follows:-

Year	*No. of Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops organised*	*Amount of expenditure incurred*
1989	4	23912/-
1990	4	1,42,444/-
1991	3	12,940/-

Indo-Hungarian Cooperation

2787. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to expand some areas under co-operation with Hungary;

(b) if so, the specific areas where Indo-Hungary joint co-operation are proposed to be established and expanded;

(c) whether any decision has been taken in that direction in the Indo-Hungarian Joint Business Council meeting held in January last; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Efforts are being made to expand bilateral trade with Hungary. These, inter alia, include expansion and diversification of the basket of goods traded, setting up of joint ventures, encouraging participation in trade fairs and exhibitions, exchange of commercial and business delegations.

(c) and (d). In the tenth meeting of Indo-Hungarian Joint Business Council held in New Delhi on the 23rd January, 1992, the main areas identified for setting up of Joint ventures in Hungary were textiles, garments, leather and leather products, automobile components, electronics, food processing, tourism and hotel industry. The prospects for improving trade between two countries were also discussed in the meeting and the thrust items identified for export from India to Hungary were computers, computers software, machinery and equipment, compressors, pumps, household consumer goods, readymade garments, electrical goods processed foods, electronic items etc.

Export Focus on some Items

2788. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have selected some items which will receive the exports focus of his Ministry; and

(b) if so, details thereof alongwith the items those have been selected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b). The Government has selected 15 (fifteen) broad sectors, for making special thrust in markets abroad,

without minimising the importance of increasing exports from the other sectors. The 15 thrust sectors are: (1) Tea, especially in package and value added forms; (2) Cereals, (3) Processed foods, including fruit and juices, meat and meat products and fresh fruits & vegetables; (4) Marine products, especially in valueadded forms; (5) Iron ore; (6) Leather and leather manufactures, with an emphasis on the latter; (7) Handicrafts and jewellery; (8) Capital goods and consumer durables; (9) Electronic goods and computer software; (10) Basic chemicals; (11) Fabrics, piece-goods and made-ups; (12) Readymade garments; (13) Woollen fabrics and knitwear; (14) Projects and services; and (15) Granite.

Income-Tax outstanding against top 20 Defaulters

2789. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of income-tax outstanding against each of the top 20 defaulters as on March 1, 1992; and

(b) the steps being taken to recover the outstanding dues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) The latest information compiled by the Ministry regarding 20 taxpayers against whom maximum amount of income-tax demand was outstanding, is as on 31.12.1991 and it is given in the statement enclosed.

(b) Suitable administrative and legal steps are taken to recover the outstanding dues and recovery action in all these cases is periodically monitored at the level of Commissioner of Income-tax and above. In most of the cases demand is disputed in appeals, etc. and the appellate authorities have been requested to dispose of the appeals on priority basis. In some cases, adjustment of tax refunds against these demands or appeal effect or verification of tax payments in pending.

STATEMENT

S.No.	*Name of the persons*	*Amount of Income-tax demand outstanding as on 31.12.1991 (Rs. in crores)*
1.	Oil & Natural Gas Commission	495.81
2.	GTC Industries Ltd.	179.66
3.	Peerless General Finance & Investment Co., Ltd.	119.38
4.	Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.	109.11
5.	State Bank of India	82.62
6.	Hindustan Cables Ltd.	63.12 *
7.	Dunlop India Ltd.	59.99